(b) if so, what are the details of the projects, estimated total cost of each of it *vis-a-vis* assistance sought for and secured, if any;

(c) the extent to which indigenous output of Petroleum products (item-wise) will be increased on completion of these projects; and

(d) by when these projects are to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Gas Flaring Reduction Project estimated to cost US $ 3184 million is scheduled to be completed by 1995. World Bank has sanctioned a loan of US $ 450 million. The project envisages uses of 10.5 MMSCMD of gas which is currently being flared.

Gandhar Development Project estimated to cost US $ 833 million may take about 48 months to complete after final approval A.D.B. is considering the request for loan. The project is expected to yield 18.52 million tonnes of oil and 24 billion cubic metres of gas.

Services at IAAI Airports

104. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news report entitled 'Airlines IAAI on warpath' which appeared in the 'Mid-Day' Bombay of June 29, 1991 wherein it has been stated that a large number of international airlines have written a letter to IAAI Protecting against their inefficiency and casual attitude towards service operations in critical areas;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are contemplated in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Because of unprecedented rains there was a total breakdown of power at Bombay airport on 8th and 9th June, 1991. The power supply was partially restored on 9th June, 1991. However, due to unprecedented water flow in Terminal II, switch rooms had to be put off. This resulted a total breakdown of power. The power was again restored on 10th. During this period only partial power supply was possible to be maintained at airport through generating sets. On 13th June, 1991, there was a partial breakdown on generators and essential power was interrupted as the cables in the 10 feet underground trench were being attended to during this period. Subsequently, there was interruptions on 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th June, 1991 ranging from two minutes to 40 minutes, except for one occasion when interruption was extended to sixty two minutes on account of failure of the BSES Mains. All the equipment have since been thoroughly re-calibrated and services have been restored to normal position.

(c) Detailed discussions have already been held with the BSES to improve operational coordination particularly at such times.

Loss in the Production of Crude Oil at Bombay High

105. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item entitled "Non-implementation to incur loss of 49.38 million Metric Tonnes of Oil" published in 'Financial Express', Delhi, dated 30 June, 1991, indicating that oil worth $ 7.5 bil-

lions at current crude prices would be lost at the Bombay High due to nonimplementation of the gas lift scheme, the scheme by which gas is introduced into well at high pressure so as to recharge the bottom of the aged wells and to lift the oil;

(b) what are the reasons for the delay in completion of the programme which was targetted for completion by November, 1991 by the consortiums; and

(c) what steps are being taken to expedite the project?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The delay is on account of the overturning of a barge leading to a loss of pipes in the sea.

(c) New pipes are being arranged and the project is expected to be completed by November, 1991.

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12 NOON

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CHAIRMAN Re. CIRCULATION OF AN UNAUTHORISED PAPER TO MEMBERS

MR. CHAIRMAN: On 11th July, 1991 several Members raised in the House a matter regarding circulation of a statement purporting to have been signed by Prof. P. N. Dhar, Shri I. G. Patel, Shri Narasimham, Shri R. N. Malhotra, along with parliamentary papers. They also observed that the circulation of such an unauthorised paper was not correct. The Home Minister who is also the Leader of the House, assured in the House that he would enquire into the matter. I have now received a letter from the Finance Minister, Shri Manmohan Singh, which reads as follows:

"Respected Chairman, may I request you to recall the proceedings of the Rajya Sabha on 11th July, 1991 regarding the circulation of a joint statement issued by Prof P. N. Dhar, Dr. I. G. Patel, Shri Narasimham and Shri R. N. Malhotra on Agenda for Economic Reform. I wish to express my sincere apologies for the unintended lapse in strict adherence to the procedure prescribed for circulation of such papers. I have taken note of the points raised by the hon. Members as well as the ruling given by you on the subject, and I would like to assure you that the prescribed procedure will be strictly followed in future."

In view of the above, I treat the matter as closed.

[**The Deputy Chairman** in the Chair].

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Annual Financial statement incorporating 1989-90 (Actuals), 1990-91 (Budget/Revised Estimates) and 1991-92 (Budget Estimates) of Punjab State Electricity Board and related papers

II. Annual statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala (1989-90) and related papers

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON - CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): Madam, I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under section 61 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948, read with subclause (iii) of clause (c) of the Proclamation dated the 11th May, 1987, issued by the President in relation to the State of Punjab:—

(i) Annual Financial Statement incorporating 1989-90 (Actuals), 1990-91 (Budget/Revised Estimates) and 1991-92 (Budget Estimates) of Punjab State Electricity Board.

(ii) Statement showing the objects and reasons for placing Annual Financial Statement.

(iii) Abstract of the Financial Statement and comments of the State Government.